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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

Internet access in the United States is already one of the slowest and most expensive in the developed world. Now I am told that the major telephone companies are asking to make it much worse by imposing massive price increases on access to their network infrastructure. I use competitive internet and phone service from a small supplier precisely because I was the victim of long term price gouging by AT&T and its predecessors over a period of more than 45 years. Granting the anti-competitive permission they seek would be a grave disservice to the public.

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